

Class VI - Moral Science
Ch. 8 Whose House is This?

A. Answer the following questions.

1. Why did Mohan want to leave his job?

Ans. Mohan wanted to leave his job as he had worked for long and now wanted to retire and take rest.

2. Why did Gopinath request him to build one last house?

Ans. Gopinath was sad that a good worker like Mohan was leaving, so as a personal favour, he wanted Mohan to build one last house.

3. Why didn't Mohan build the house wholeheartedly?

Ans. Mohan had already decided to quit the job. This led to his disinterested attitude towards his work and he couldn't build the last house wholeheartedly.

4. What did Mohan realise in the end?

Ans. At last, when Mohan came to know that the house that he built was for himself, he realised that his wrong attitude had resulted in bad workmanship. Had he known that he was building his own house, he would have done it in a better way.

5. What did the grandson understand after visiting the construction site?

Ans. After visiting the construction site, the grandson realised that there are some people who value their work and many who don't. Some consider their job as a punishment and others a necessity. Different people have different attitudes towards their profession.

B. What do the following sentences tell about the attitude of the people?

1. If he had only known that he was building his own house, he would have done it in a better way.

Ans. This shows the attitude of Mohan that he lacked ownership and sincerity in his job once he had decided to quit working.

2. "Can't you see I am laying bricks?"

Ans. The labourer who said this was disinterested in his job and was treating it as a punishment.

3. "I am trying to earn my living."

Ans. This labourer treats his work as his necessity and performs it without passion.

4. "I am helping someone to make their dreams come true."

Ans. This labourer is very passionate about his job and attaches great importance to his work. He enjoys his work.

5. "I think everybody respects their work equally."

Ans. The grandson is not aware of the attitudes of people. He is innocent and does not know the ways of the world. So his views are different from his grandfather's.

C. Do it yourself.